

1 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 40

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 5, 2010 AS "VIRTUAL ENLACE NEW MEXICO DAY"
12 AT THE LEGISLATURE.

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14 WHEREAS, New Mexico has a rich multicultural heritage that
15 is rooted in its unique history, geography and relations among
16 its people with different identities, varying languages and
17 diverse narratives; and

18 WHEREAS, because of this heritage, the state is committed
19 to providing access to quality education for all students and
20 their families, from pre-kindergarten through doctoral studies;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, "Engaging Latino Communities for Education", more
23 popularly known as ENLACE New Mexico, has been a vital partner
24 in that endeavor for nine years; and

25 WHEREAS, ENLACE has done a remarkable job in establishing

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1 community and institutional partnerships that prepare students
2 for success in all academic and vocational professions; and

3 WHEREAS, ENLACE New Mexico believes in inclusivity as well
4 as the need for a multicultural/multilinguistic-focused
5 educational initiative to create a world-class educational
6 system for all students in New Mexico; and

7 WHEREAS, the work of ENLACE recognizes, validates and
8 embraces the core cultural values of its stakeholders, namely
9 the strength of *familia*, the bonds of *comunidad* and the
10 mutuality of *respeto*; and

11 WHEREAS, ENLACE New Mexico supports grassroots change in
12 the state, with students, families and communities defining the
13 programmatic and policy issues necessary to effect systemic
14 change; and

15 WHEREAS, elected officials throughout the state have
16 united in a bipartisan effort to support the continuation and
17 expansion of the ENLACE New Mexico mission; and

18 WHEREAS, the New Mexico legislature has shown its
19 commitment to education through its support of programs such as
20 ENLACE New Mexico; and

21 WHEREAS, ENLACE New Mexico recognizes, acknowledges and
22 understands that an economic crisis of historic proportions is
23 affecting our state and our country and thus the need to cut
24 the costs associated with travel to the New Mexico state
25 legislature for ENLACE day; and

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